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thing, because that is rather peculiar. Some time after my coming away from jail in 1942—or it may be 1943 or 1944—I had to go to Madurai. There one of my friends took me to Sri Vaidyanatha Iyer's house and introduced me to him saying 'He is Mr. Allapichai.' With very great affection and kindness he received me. I remember that even to-day. That was the only occasion I saw him, and after that I had no chance to see him. But the one occasion that I saw I can never forget. He impressed me as the kindest man, a very good man, a very straightforward man and an honest man. We have lost a great man. We are very sorry to have lost him. But we could not help, because it is God's grace.

"As a mark of respect to the memory of Sri A. Vaidyanatha Iyer and by way of passing the resolution, I would request hon. Members to stand in silence for a minute."

The resolution was passed *nem con* all the Members of Council standing.

II.—QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

STARRED QUESTIONS.

Working of the Co-operative Building Construction Societies, Cuddalore and Chidambaram taluks.

* 189 Q.—SRI M. ETHIRAJULU : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) the amount of loan given to the Co-operative Building Construction Societies, Cuddalore and Chidambaram taluks, from the year 1947 up to date;

(*b*) the number of houses constructed by them out of that loan;

(*c*) the conditions for membership in this scheme; and

(*d*) how many persons owning two or more houses have been admitted as members in this scheme?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (*a*) Rs. 6,11,720.

" (*b*) Ninety-two houses have been constructed so far and 8 are under construction.

" (*c*) Any person over 18 years of age who is competent to contract shall be eligible for admission as a member, provided he is not a member of any other building society working in the same area. Minors also may be admitted through their legal guardians, for the purpose of joining in the execution of bonds, or as legal representatives of deceased members.

" (*b*) None."

SRI M. ETHIRAJULU :—" May I know Sir, whether the Government will consider the question of prohibiting persons owning more than two houses from becoming members of the society? "